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A Copy
OF THE
OATHS,
Required by the
Laws of England.

STAT: 25th. Car. 2d Cap. 2. All Persons that shall bear Office Civil or Military, or receive any Salary or Wages, by any Grant from the King, or shall have Command, or place of Trust from or under Him, shall receive the Sacrament of the Lords Supper, according to the usage of the Church of England, at or before the first of August 1673: In some Paroch Church, upon some Lords Day.

All Persons that shall be admitted into any of the said's Offices *Ut supra*, shall in three Moneths time after their Admittance, deliver a Certificate of his receiving the Sacrament as aforesaid, under the hand of the Minister and Church-Wardens; and shall make Proof of the Truth thereof by two Witnesses upon Oath.

The Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy required by this Statute to be Sworn, by the above-mentioned Person's, are Abrogated by Stat. 1. W. M. and M. Sess. 1. Cap. 8. And the following Oaths required in their Place.

I *A. B.* do Sincerely Promise and Swear, that I will be faithful, and bear true Allegiance to Her Majesty Queen ANNE. So help me GOD.

I *A. B.* Do Swear, that I do from my heart, Abhor, Detest and Abjure, as Impious and Heretical, that Damnable Doctrine and Position, that Princes Excommunicate, or deprived by the Pope, or any Authority of the See of Rome may be Deposed or Murdered by their Subjects, or any other whatsoever,
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And I do Declare, that no Foreign Prince, Prelate, Person, State or Potentate hath, or ought to have any Jurisdiction, Power, Superiority, Prehemiency or Authority, Ecclesiastical or Spiritual within this Realm. So help me GCD.

And all Persons that shall be admitted into any of the saids Offices, &c. *Ut supra*. Shall take the saids Oaths within three Moneths after their Admission.

All Persons neglecting to take the saids Oaths and Sacrament, according to the usage of the Church of England as aforesaid, shall be *Ipso Facto*, disabled to enjoy the saids Offices or Employments, or any Profit thereby: And every such Place shall be Void.

All Persons that after such neglect shall Execute any of the saids Offices or Employments, and be Convict thereof, shall be disabled to Sue in Law or Equity, or be Guardian to any Child, or Executor, or Administrator; or capable of any Legacy or Deed of Gift, or bear any Office; and shall Forfault 500 *lib.* Sterling. All Arch Bishops and Bishops, and other Persons having any Ecclesiastical Dignity or Benefice, are by the above-mentioned Statute of *W. M.* and *Mary*, obliged to take the saids Oaths, under the penalty of Deprivation. As likewise Governours, Heads or Fellows of Colleges or Halls in the University, or any other Colledge. Masters of Hospitals or Schools, Professors of Divinity, Law, Physick, or other Sciences.

Stat. 30. Car. 2. Cap. 1. Statute 2d. No Peer shall Vote, make Proxy, or Sit during any Debate in the House of Peers, nor any Members of the House of Commons shall Sit or Vote thereafter the Speakers Chosen, till they first take the two above-mentioned Oaths, and Subscribe, and Repeat this Declaration.

I *A. B.* Do Solemnly and Sincerely, in the presence of GOD, Profess, Testify and Declare; That I do believe, that in the Sacrament of the Lords Supper: There is not any Transubstantiation of the Elements of Bread and Wine, into the Body and Blood of Christ, at, or after the Consecration thereof by any Person whatsoever. And that the Invocation or Adoration of the Virgine *Mary*, or any other Saint; and the Sacrifice of the Mass as now used in the Church of *Rome*, are Superstitious and Idolatrous: And I do Solemnly in the Presence of God, Profess, Testify and Declare, that I do make this Declaration, and every part thereof in the plain and ordinary sense of the Words Read unto me, as they are commonly understood by *English* Protestants, without any Evasion, Equivocation, or mental Reservation whatsoever; and without any Dispensation already granted to me for this purpose by the Pope, or any Authority, or Person whatsoever; or without hopes of any such Dispensation, or without thinking that I am, or can be acquitted before GOD and Man, or Absolved of this Declaration, altho the Pope, or any other Person or Power whatsoever should Dispense with, or Annul the same, or Declare that it is, and was Null from the beginning.

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Every Peer of this Realm, and Member of the House of Peers, and every Peer of Scotland or Ireland, of twenty one years of Age and upwards, and every Member of the House of Commons, not having taken the two fore-mentioned Oaths, and subscribed this Declaration: And all Persons convict of Recusancy that shall remain in the King's or Queen's presence, or come into any House where they reside, shall incur and suffer the Penalties in this Act mentioned. That is to say, be adjudged Popish Recusants, Convict, disabled to hold any Office, sit in Parliament, make Proxy in the House of Peers, prosecute any Suit, be Guardian, Executor or Administrator, or to take any Legacy or Gift; and shall forfeit 500 l. sterl.

Stat. 12. W. 3. cap. 6. All that bear any Office Civil or Military, receive Pay, Fee, or Wages, by reason of Grants or Patents from his Majesty, or have Command or Place of Trust from his Majesty or Predecessors, or by his Authority, or derived from him; or in the Service of Prince George: All Ecclesiastical Persons, all Members of Colleges and Halls, in either University, of the Foundation being 18 Years old; all Persons teaching Pupils; all School-Masters, Ushers, Preachers and Teachers, of seperate Congregations; Persons that shall Act as Serjeants at Law, Counsellors, Advocates, Attorneys, Scollicitors, Proctors, Clerks, or Nottaries, by Practising as such in any Court: And all Peers that shall Vote or make his Proxy, or sit in the House during any Debate: And every Member of the House of Commons, that shall Vote or sit there, during any Debate after their Speaker is chosen, shall be obliged to take the following Oath.

I A. B. Do truly and sincerely acknowledge, profess, testify and declare in my Conscience before God and the World, That our Sovereign Lady Q. A. is lawful and rightful Queen of this Realm, and all other her Majesty's Dominions and Countries thereunto belonging. And I do solemnly and sincerely Declare, That I do believe in my Conscience, that the Person pretended to be Prince of Wales, during the life of the late King James, and taking upon himself the Stile and Title of King of England, by the Name of James the Third, hath not any Right or Title to the Crown of this Realm, or any other of the Dominions thereto belonging. And I do renounce, refuse and abjure any Allegiance or Obedience to him: And I do Swear, That I will bear faithful and true Alledgiance to her Majesty Q. A. and her will Defend to the uttermost of my Power, against all traiterous Conspiracies and Attempts whatsoever, which shall be made against her Person, Crown and Dignity; And I will do my best endeavour to disclose and make known to her Majesty and her Successors, all Treasons and traiterous Conspiracies which I shall know to be against her or any of them. And I do faithfully promise to the outmost of my Power, to support maintain and defend the Limitation and Succession of the Crown, against him the said James, and all other Persons whatsoever, as the same is, and stands Limited by an Act, Entituled, *An Act declaring the Rights and Liberties of the Subject, and settling the Succession of the Crown to her present Majesty, and the Heirs of her Body, being Protestants.*

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stants. And as the same by another Act, Entituled, *An Act for the further Limitation of the Crown, and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subjects, is, and stands Limited after the decease of her Majesty, and for default of Issue of her Majesty, to the Princess Sophia, Electress and Dutches Dowager of Hannover, and the Heirs of her Body being Protestants.* And all these things I do plainly and sincerely Acknowledge and Swear, according to these express Words by me spoken, and according to the plain and common Sense and Understanding of the same Words; without any Equivocation, mental Reservation, or secret Reservation whatsoever: And I do make this Recognition, Acknowledgment, Abjuration, Renunciation and Promise, heartily willingly and truly, upon the true Faith of a Christian. So help me God.

Every Person that shall neglect or refuse to take the said Oath, as aforesaid, shall be adjudged Incapable to enjoy the said Offices, Employment, or any part of them, or any matter or thing aforesaid; and every such Place and Office, and Employment shall be void.

Every Person which after such neglect or refusal, by himself, his Deputy or Trustee, shall execute the said Offices or Employments, being lawfully Convict, shall be disabled to Sue in Law or Equity, or to be Guardian to any Child, or to be Executor or Administrator, or capable of a Legacy, or Deed of Gift, or to be in any Office, and shall forfeit 500 *l. sterl.*

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